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DT/Russell

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RE: George Sipe's statement that
he called at the Russell place at the
night of the murder.

As I have previously reported, I made several
efforts to see Nellie Lo Russell but found her cabin
locked. On Friday morning I succeeded in getting hold of
her husband. He informed me that Nellie was working and
that she leaves for New York about 6 A.M. and gets home
at night between 8:30 and 9 P.M. I therefore told him
that I would call Friday evening about 9 P.M.

I went out that way on Friday night and as we
started up the lane toward her home we could see the lights
of an automobile standing in front of her cabin. We waited
a short while and noticed that some one turned out all
the lights, leaving only the tail light burning. Not knowing
who I might run into, I decided not to go near the place.

Yesterday afternoon I found Nellie at home and
I asked her who had been in around her place on Friday
night and she told me that a woman from the New York World
had been there to see if there was anything new.

I questioned Nellie about the visit which Sipel
claims to have made to her place with Office Knothe on the
night of the murder. Nellie claims that the Sunday preceding
the murder she took the horse back to Sipel's place and left
it there and that the same night Sipel had come over to see
her, but he was alone on this occasion.

That on the night of the murder she arrived home
about 8 P.M. and she is positive that Sipel and Knothe did
not come to her place between that hour and the time she
retired after her talk with Jane Gibson, as set forth in
her affidavit.

Respectfully yours,

DAVID THOMPSON